

VOTING LOG
Pacific Fishery Management Council
March 2008

Motion 1: Approve the agenda as shown in Agenda Item A.4, Council Meeting Agenda.

Moved by: Rod Moore

Seconded by: Curt Melcher

Motion 1 passed unanimously.

Motion 2: Recommend to NMFS that no new domestic conservation measures are needed to address the requirements of Magnuson-Steven Act section 304(i)(2)(A), for domestic regulations to address the relative impact of U.S. fishing vessels on the stock.

Moved by: Marija Vojkovich

Seconded by: Kathy Fosmark

Motion 2 passed unanimously.

Motion 3: Recommend to Congress and the State Department, to address the requirements of Magnuson-Steven Act section 304(i)(2)(B), for international actions that will end overfishing, taking into account the relative impact of vessels of other nations and vessels of the United States:

1. Set a total allowable catch (TAC) of 200,000 metric tons for yellowfin taken by purse seine in the EPO, but that the IATTC Director is authorized to increase the limit by up to four increments of 30,000 mt each if he concludes, from examination of available data, that such increments would pose no significant risk to the stock. If the limit, including any increments authorized by the Director, is reached, purse-seining for tunas will cease.
2. Reduce capacity in the purse seine fishery, consistent with IATTC resolutions C-00-10 and C-02-03 to control total fishing capacity.
3. Design and implement an IATTC program to collect information on fish aggregating devices (FADs) and assess their impacts on target stocks, especially juvenile tunas.
4. Implement time-area closures consistent with measures identified by the IATTC scientific staff.

Moved by: Marija Vojkovich

Seconded by: Kathy Fosmark

Motion 3 passed unanimously.

Motion 4: Referring to Agenda Item C.3.b, HMSMT Report and Agenda Item C.3.b, Supplemental HMSAS Report adopt a range of alternatives for public review for a shallow-set longline fishery seaward of 200 nautical miles and east of 150° W longitude. The motion identified three alternatives: 1) status quo; 2) a west coast limited entry program for SSSL seaward of the West Coast EEZ—qualification to receive one of these limited entry permits would be based on criteria that would involve prior landings of swordfish, a number of years of fishing experience, or ownership of a drift gillnet permit; and 3) establish a management framework without a limited entry permit program. As part of the proposed action, the motion also described a variety of mitigation measures for incidental sea turtle takes.

Moved by: Marija Vojkovich
Motion 4 passed unanimously.

Seconded by: Michele Culver

Motion 5: Adopt the EFP for public review as presented, except for the proposed change of the time period in which fishing would occur. Instead, the time period proposed in last year's application, to fish September–December, will be applied. The other change, restricting fishing to seaward of 50 nautical miles rather than 40 miles is more precautionary and can be retained. This change from what the applicant proposed will make it easier to complete the NEPA/ESA evaluations since the proposal is thus essentially identical to what was proposed and analyzed last year.

Moved by: Mark Helvey

Seconded by: Kathy Fosmark

Motion 5 passed. Ms. Vojkovich, Ms. Culver, and Mr. Wolford voted no.

Motion 6: Adopt the abundance forecast data set for OCN coho as recommended by the SSC, STT, and OPITT.

Moved by: Curt Melcher

Seconded by: Rod Moore

Amdmnt: Adopt the index ratio for Sacramento River fall Chinook with the removal of the 2005 data point as recommended by the SSC and STT for 2008.

Moved by: Marija Vojkovich

Seconded by: Dan Wolford

The amendment passed unanimously.

Motion 6 passed as amended unanimously.

Motion 7: Have the Council send a letter addressed to Mr. Jim Balsiger requesting the SWFSC and NWFSC take the lead on the technical tasks as recommended by NMFS under Agenda Item D.1.b, Supplemental NMFS Report, as well as those recommendations included in the SAS and HC reports under this agenda item. Other state and Federal agencies should also be included in this effort, and a status report should be presented to the Council at its September meeting.

Moved by: Marija Vojkovich

Seconded by: Kathy Fosmark

Motion 7 passed. Mr. Frank Lockhart abstained.

Motion 8: Direct the STT and HC to determine if Queets and Quillayute spring/summer Chinook continue to be exploited at less than 5 percent in Council -managed fisheries and to conduct an initial assessment of the causes for their recent decline. The coastal stocks include: Queets summer, Queets spring, Quilleute spring, and Quilleute summer.

Moved by: David Sones

Seconded by: Mark Cedergreen

Motion 8 passed unanimously.

Motion 9: Adopt the KRFC workgroup's recommendations as shown in Agenda Item D.3.b, KRFC Stock Assessment with the following modifications: Recommendation 1 - Consider the Overfishing Concern of KRFC ended when a natural spawning escapement of at least 35,000 adults is achieved in three out of four consecutive years **OR** with a natural

spawning escapement of at least 40,700 adult KRFC (S_{MSY}) in two consecutive years; do not include Recommendation 3, include Recommendations 2 and 4-13.

Moved by: Curt Melcher

Seconded by: Frank Warrens

Amdmnt: Include Recommendation 3 in the public review process.

Moved by: Frank Lockhart

Seconded by: (No seconder)

Motion 9 passed unanimously.

Motion 10: Adopt for public review the list of 2009 assessments in Agenda Item F.2.b, Attachment 1, with the following modifications:

- yelloweye to be scheduled as a full assessment;
- Pacific ocean perch to be scheduled as an updated assessment;
- bank rockfish to be assessed in the minor slope complex assessment; and
- cabezon scheduled as a full assessment.

Moved by: Rod Moore

Seconded by: Steve Williams

Amdmnt: Put out for public review an alternative of doing a complex assessment in the off year.

Moved by: Marija Vojkovich

Seconded by: Frank Lockhart

Amendment to Motion 10 passed unanimously.

Main Motion 10 passed unanimously.

Motion 11: Adopt for public review, the stock assessment ToR in Agenda Item F.2.c, Supplemental Attachment 1 with the following change:

- Strike the new language in the second paragraph on page 6 (paragraph starting with “Presuming two full stock assessments are under review ...”).

Moved by: Rod Moore

Seconded by: Frank Warrens

Motion 11 passed unanimously.

Motion 12: Adopt for public review the Draft SSC Terms of Reference for Groundfish Rebuilding Analysis as shown in Agenda Item F.2.c, Supplemental Attachment 2.

Moved by: Rod Moore

Seconded by: Dale Myer

Motion 12 passed unanimously.

Motion 13: Adopt the new whiting assessment (Agenda Item F.3.a, Attachment 1) for deciding 2008 Pacific whiting harvest specifications and management measures (endorses the SS2 model from the SSC).

Moved by: Phil Anderson

Seconded by: Rod Moore

Motion 13 passed unanimously.

Motion 14: Adopt for 2008 Pacific whiting harvest specifications, an ABC of 400,000 mt and a coastwide OY of 364,842 mt with a US OY of 269,545 mt.

Moved by: Phil Anderson
Motion 14 passed unanimously.

Seconded by: Dale Myer

Motion 15: Table Agenda Item F.3.d (bycatch cap and tribal whiting allocation decisions) until Friday, March 14, 2008.

Moved by: Rod Moore
Motion 15 passed unanimously.

Seconded by: Frank Warrens

Motion 16: Adopt for public review the options for incidental catch regulations in the non-Indian salmon troll fishery as shown in Agenda Item G.2.e, Supplemental SAS Report:

Option 1: Status quo: Beginning May 1, license holders may land no more than one Pacific halibut per each three Chinook, except one Pacific halibut may be landed without meeting the ratio requirement, and no more than 35 halibut per open period.

Option 2: Beginning May 1, license holders may land no more than one Pacific halibut per each two Chinook, except one Pacific halibut may be landed without meeting the ratio requirement, and no more than 35 halibut per open period.

Moved by: Phil Anderson
Motion 16 passed unanimously.

Seconded by: Marija Vojkovich

Motion 17: Adopt for public review a range of landing restrictions for Pacific halibut retention in the non-Indian commercial sablefish fishery north of Point Chehalis that included:

- 100 pounds of dressed halibut for each 1,000 pounds of dressed sablefish plus two additional halibut (status quo),
- 80 pounds of dressed halibut for each 1,000 pounds of dressed sablefish plus two additional halibut, and
- 150 pounds of dressed halibut for each 1,000 pounds of dressed sablefish plus two additional halibut.

Moved by: Phil Anderson
Motion 17 passed unanimously.

Seconded by: Dale Myer

Motion 18: Adopt for public review the range of alternatives as shown in Agenda Item F.4.a, Attachment 1, *Preliminary Draft Environmental Assessment for Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery Management Plan Amendment 22: Conversion of the Open Access Fishery to Federal Permit Management* along with the additional options/suboptions contained in Agenda Item F.4.b Supplemental WDFW and ODFW Joint Report.

Moved by: Michele Culver

Seconded by: Dale Myer

Amdmnt #1: Modify item #4 listed in Agenda Item F.4.b Supplemental WDFW and ODFW Joint Report, to add an option to restrict permits to a particular state within the concept of state specific objectives.

Motion 24: Adopt the EC recommendation as referenced in Agenda Item F.6.d, Supplemental EC Report. That recommendation was to change the objective that says “For State and Federal enforcement agreements that allow the exchange of relevant data to ensure compliance with IQ quotas” – change it to read “For State and Federal enforcement officers to have access to all data relating to IQ quotas for enforcement purposes.”

Moved by: Phil Anderson
Motion 24 passed unanimously.

Seconded by: Rod Moore

Motion 25: Add a suboption to page 4, under the shoreside whiting section for Amendment 10, that would add a suboption which requires observers onboard.

Moved by: Dave Hanson
Motion 25 passed unanimously.

Seconded by: Kathy Fosmark

Motion 26: Mr. Moore moved and Mr. Warrens seconded a motion (Motion 26) by working off the GMT statement to: approve the California recreational groundfish 120 foot depth restriction; to approve the proposed California state-waters yelloweye RCA; to use the recreational fishery management line identified in the Supplemental Revised CDFG Report F.5.c; to adjust cumulative limits in the nonwhiting trawl fishery as shown in Tables 2 and 3 of the GMT report; and to reduce the bi-monthly limit in the open access sablefish daily trip limit (DTL) fishery north of the Conception area from 2,400 to 2,200 per two months starting April 1.

Moved by: Rod Moore

Seconded by: Frank Warrens

Amndmnt: Change the open access sablefish fishery bimonthly limit reduction from April 1 to May 1.

Moved by: Steve Williams
Amendment passed.
Motion 26 passed. Unanimously.

Seconded by: Frank Warrens

Motion 27: Untable Agenda Item F.3.d. (Council Action)

Moved by: Dave Hanson
Motion 27 passed uanimously.

Seconded by: Rod Moore

Motion 28: Adopt the following total catch limits for non-treaty whiting sectors:

- canary rockfish - 4.7 mt;
- darkblotched rockfish - 40 mt); and
- widow rockfish - 275 mt.

If any of these total catch limits are attained inseason, the whiting fishery will close for all non-treaty sectors even if whiting allocations have not been attained.

Moved by: Phil Anderson
Motion 28 passed unanimously.

Seconded by: Steve Williams

Motion 29: Adopt for 2008 Pacific whiting specifications a treaty allocation of 35,000 mt.

Moved by: Frank Lockhart

Seconded by: Phil Anderson

Motion 29 passed. Mr. Sones recused.

Motion 30: Appoint Mr. Edward J. ("EJ") Dick to replace Dr. John Field as the SWFSC representative on the GMT.

Moved by: Frank Lockhart

Seconded by: Dan Wolford

Motion 30 passed unanimously.

Motion 31: Appoint Mr. Larry Hanson to replace Mr. Steve Turek on the Habitat Committee. Further, Ms. Vicki Frey will act as the designated alternate to Mr. Hanson.

Moved by: Marija Vojkovich

Seconded by: Dan Wolford

Motion 31 passed unanimously.

Motion 32: Appoint Captain Buzz Brizendine to replace Mr. Bob Fletcher to the Southern Charter Boat Operator position on the HMSAS.

Moved by: Marija Vojkovich

Seconded by: Dan Wolford

Motion 32 passed unanimously.

Motion 33: Appoint Dr. Theresa Sou to replace Mr. Tom Jagielo on the SSC.

Moved by: Phil Anderson

Seconded by: Dale Myer

Motion 33 passed unanimously.

Motion 34: Adopt the modifications to COP 15 as contained in Agenda Item B.3.a, Attachment 1, and Agenda Item B.3.a, Supplemental Attachment 2.

Moved by: Phil Anderson

Seconded by: Rod Moore

Motion 34 passed unanimously.

Motion 35: Approve the September 2007 and November 2007 minutes.

Moved by: Rod Moore

Seconded by: Mark Cedergreen

Motion 35 passed unanimously.

Motions 36 through 39 were made utilizing Agenda Item D.7.b, Supplemental STT Report as corrected during the STT report:

Motion 36: Adopt options for the area north of Cape Falcon as listed for the recreational and non-Indian commercial fisheries with the following changes:

Page 8, Queets River to Leadbetter Point all species recreational fishery, Option III: Change the start date from May 26 to June 8, and allow only one Chinook in the two fish bag limit.

Moved by: Phil Anderson
Motion 36 passed unanimously.

Seconded by: Mark Cedergreen

Motion 37: Adopt options for the area between Cape Falcon the OR/CA border as listed for both commercial and recreational fisheries.

Moved by: Steve Williams
Motion 37 passed unanimously.

Seconded by: Frank Warrens

Motion 38: Adopt the tribal options as shown.

Moved by: David Sones
Motion 38 passed unanimously.

Seconded by: Frank Warrens

Motion 39: Adopt options for the area between the OR/CA border and the U.S./Mexico border as listed for both commercial and recreational fisheries.

Moved by: Marija Vojkovich
Motion 39 passed unanimously.

Seconded by: Kathy Fosmark